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Tricia Freeland brings energy, ideas as new HPL director

Tricia Freeland has as much energy as the small children she used to teach.

That energy will come in handy in completing plans she has as new director of Hoopeston Public Library.

Freeland was named director on October 1, taking over from Linda Mitchell, who retired.

Saying she doesn't want to make major changes until "I get my feet wet," Freeland said one thing she hopes to do is get local youth in and more involved. "It's a safe place for kids here," she said.

As time and money allows, she would like to redo the youth reading area, replacing the neutral-toned walls and staid furniture with more vibrant shades and softer places for youth to curl up to read and visit with friends.

She would like to see increased volunteerism by young people at plans to look into the possibility of the library being a D.O. site.

She would also like to expand the genres of available books, both for adults and youngsters, encouraging kids' reading through such things as graphic novels.

And Freeland is open to suggestions from patrons as to what is available, such as new books, video games, movies and more. "Come see me," she said. "I'll get what you want."

As new things are added, the library will continue



FREELAND

its book sales to allow residents to purchase bags of books. "You can't have new books coming in and not think 'where are you going to put them,'" Freeland said, saying the library's 17-person staff tries to keep on top of which items are popular and which haven't been checked out in a while.

In fact, a Black Friday sale will begin November 28 in the lower level board room during regular library hours.

Freeland's fall hiring was done purposely, allowing Mitchell to do the new year's budget and final reports, buying time for Freeland to learn the ropes before having to do those chores. "That was very nice," Freeland said. "I really appreciate that," adding that Mitchell's predecessor, Lou Graham, did the same for Mitchell.

Along with learning budgeting and reports, Freeland is also learning about grants and how to apply for those that could help the library, which is funded through grants, donations and property taxes.

Freeland is not the stereotypical librarian. There is no bun for her hair, which is long and loose, and often falls in her face as she gestures animatedly.

She seems not to be a big "shhh"-er, either, as her deep, throaty laugh can often be heard on the library's main floor.

Freeland said she has few rules, but those she has will be enforced. A big one is that actions have con-

See **FREELAND** on other side

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Briefly

Energy assistance

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Applicants must bring proof of income for last 30 days; social security cards for all household members; most current gas and electric bill; proof of food stamps, if receiving; and proof of rent, if renting.

All required information must be presented or the application cannot be completed.

Obituaries

IRVIN - Melvin "Ang" Irvin, 88, of Paxton, formerly of Rankin, died at 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 15, 2014 at home. Funeral will be at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at Rankin United Methodist Church. Visitation was 4-7 p.m. Tuesday at Knapp Funeral Home, Rankin, and will be one hour before funeral Wednesday at the church. Burial will be in Rankin Union Cemetery, with military rites by Cissna Park American Legion. Memorials are suggested to American Diabetes Association, American Cancer Society or donor's choice.

Freeland continued from other side

sequences, something she tried to impress on the children she taught and will enforce at the library.

Education seems to be the family career, Freeland said, with her sisters and her mother, Marie Schieler, working in the field.

Mrs. Schieler also works one day a month at the library, making Freeland her boss, something that did not go unnoticed by Freeland's siblings.

Freeland grew up in Hoopeston, attending Hoopeston schools. She married John Freeland, also of Hoopeston, and the couple moved to Chicago, where Freeland taught for seven years.

The couple decided to return to Hoopeston, her father, Jerry's hometown. "My dad really loved this community," Freeland said. "for us to come back was a great thing. To give back to the community is very important to me."

Home again in Hoopeston, Freeland taught at Ma-

Black Friday book sale

Area residents looking for great deals in after-Thanksgiving shopping need look no further than Hoopeston Public Library's annual Black Friday Book Sale, beginning Friday, Nov. 28.

The sale will feature a large variety of hardcover and paperback books for adults, teens and children - many in new or nearly new condition. Also available will be a

 **Court Dispositions** 

October 2

Brandy Childers, Hoopeston, failed to appear for disobeying police, found guilty by default; sentencing November 6.

Aaron Linares, Hoopeston, failed to appear for disobeying police, found guilty by default; sentencing November 6.

Zachary Garman, Hoopeston, failed to appear for disobeying police, found guilty by default; sentencing November 6.

Ryan Nosler, Hoopeston, failed to appear for disobeying police, found guilty by default; sentencing November 6.

Ralph Plecker II, Hoopeston, pleaded guilty to crimi-

selection of VHS movies and music CDs. Everything in the sale is priced at \$2 per bag or three bags for \$5. Bags will be provided, or shoppers may bring their own.

The sale will be held in the library's lower level board room during regular library hours, 9:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 28, and 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 29. There will be NO early sales! For more information, call the library at 217-283-6711.

nal damage to property, fined \$230; status hearing November 6.

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